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MARYLAND TECHNICAL GUIDE
CHANGE NOTICE NO. 85

Purpose. To distribute FY 14 Conservation Activity Plans (CAP) Payment Rate Schedule in Section I and Conservation Activity Plans (Criteria and Templates) in Section III. The Change Notice Register has been updated.

Effective Date. Upon receipt.

Explanation. Section I: Updated FY14 CAP Payment Rates has been posted

Section III: The eFOTG has been updated to include national criteria for the following Conservation Activity Plans (CAP's) that are available in Maryland. Also templates have been developed for CAP's 106, 114 and 138 with the purpose to provide a more direct outline of the essential information that is to be included in the plan.

- Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan Criteria (102)
- Nutrient Management Plan Criteria (104)
- Forest Management Plan Criteria (106)
- Feed Management Plan Criteria (108) – new for FY2014
- Grazing Management Plan Criteria (110)
- Prescribed Burning Management Plan Criteria (112) – new for FY2014
- Integrated Pest Management Plan Criteria (114)
- Irrigation Water Management Plan Criteria (118)
- Agriculture Energy Management Plan- Headquarters Criteria (122)
- Agriculture Energy Management Plan- Landscape Criteria (124)
- Drainage Water Management Plan Criteria (130)
- Conservation Plan Supporting Organic Transition Plan Criteria (138)
- Fish and Wildlife Habitat Management Plan Criteria (142)
- Pollinator Habitat Enhancement Plan Criteria (146)

**Filing
Instructions.**

- Section I: The FY14 CAP Payment Rates is distributed in electronic format (eFOTG) only. If desired, paper copies of the Payment Rates may be downloaded from the eFOTG and filed in Section I-C of the FOTG binder. File the Change Notice, the Change Notice Register and the Table of Contents in the front of Section I of the Field Office Technical Guide.
- Section III: Contents of this section are distributed in electronic format (eFOTG) only. If desired, paper copies of the Table of Contents and the CAP's may be downloaded from the eFOTG and filed in Section III-D of

the FOTG binder.

- Please remove the following Conservation Activity Plans 126, 134, 150, and 154. They will not be offered in Maryland this year.

Distribution.

All documents may be downloaded from the MD NRCS eFOTG web page:

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/efotg>

If you have questions concerning the Conservation Activity Plans, please contact Mikel Williams, Farm Bill Program Manager at (443) 482-2923 for financial questions or Ramon Ortiz, State Planning Specialist for technical questions at (443) 482-2962.



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Attachments